

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : SPRATTE  
Serial No. : 10/596,353  
Confirm. No. : 5561  
Filed : June 9, 2006  
For : BALL AND SLEEVE JOINT  
Art Unit : 2854  
Examiner : N/A  
Dated : September 26, 2008

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENT FEES (DO/EO/US)

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US) mailed on August 19, 2008 please find attached a copy of the U.S. PTO Acknowledgment Receipt evidencing that the \$1,000.00 fee was paid by e-Filer via RAM with Confirmation Number: 99, and a copy of the Preliminary Amendment as filed on June 9, 2006 evidencing only 20 claims were filed and only 2 were independent claims and no claims were multiple dependent.

Therefore, no fees should be due at this time.

We trust that this matter is in order, but if there is any further action required please advise us immediately.

Respectfully submitted  
for Applicant(s)



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Enc.: copy of USPTO Acknowledgment Receipt  
copy of Preliminary Amendment as filed on June 9, 2006  
Copy of Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US)

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SHOULD ANY OTHER FEE BE REQUIRED, THE PATENT AND  
TRADEMARK OFFICE IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO CHARGE SUCH FEE  
TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 13-0410.